

Derwent Regency Festival, 29th Nov - 2nd Dec 2024

Draft programme - subject to minor changes

Tickets: <https://events.humanitix.com/derwentregencyfestival24>

Details: folktas.org/regency

Session and discounted weekend tickets are available.

| ACTIVITY | TIME | DESCRIPTION | LOCATION | PRICE |
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| Friday 29th November | | | | |
| Georgian and Regency Evening at Narryna Heritage Museum | 5-7:30pm | Regency costume showings, exhibition, tours of Narryna house (1830s merchant house), refreshments in the garden, live music, meet and greet other festival goers | Narryna Heritage Museum, 103 Hampden Rd, Battery Point | \$32 |
| Saturday 30th November | | | | |
| Regency Dance Workshop | 11:15 for 11:30am-1:30pm | With live period music and Dancing Masters Katherine Tammara and David Wanless. Learn or refresh the basics of Regency dancing for the evening ball, or just have fun with some easy Regency dances. No partner or dancing experience required. Note that you are welcome to attend the evening ball whether or not you have attended this workshop. BYO water bottle. | St James' Church Hall, 462 Elizabeth St (off Rupert Ave, enter behind church) | \$12/\$10 |
| Intermediate Regency and Georgian Dances | 2:20 for 2:30-4:30pm | With live period music and Dancing Master David Wanless. Have fun with a variety of lively dances, some for the evening ball and some just because they're exciting dances. No partner or dancing experience required but if you can make it to the earlier workshop first that would be good. Learn a Quadrille for an informal display at the ball. BYO water bottle. | St James' Church Hall, (as above) | \$12/\$10 |
| Grand Regency Ball | 7:15 for 7:30-11:30pm | Grand Regency Ball - dance or enjoy the spectacle Divine period music including many Tasmanian pieces, by Van Diemen's Angels (harp, piano, fiddle and flute) Dancing Master David Wanless will lead you through an evening of fun and lively dances. No partner or dancing experience required, though attending the morning workshop would make it even more fun. Period attire encouraged, otherwise something dashing or elegant. Special guests: Historic Dance Delights from Canberra will provide inspiring dance displays including a magnificent Mazurka Quadrille. BYO water bottle and supper to share. | St James' Church Hall (as above) | \$7-22 |
| Sunday 1st December | | | | |
| Richmond Regency Assembly | c. 10:00am-5:30pm. Feel free to visit the gaol or model village from 9am. | A day of Regency activities, fine food and tea in the historic town of Richmond. Your ticket includes delicious lunch and afternoon tea of period sweet and savoury food and hot and cold drinks, as well as Regency country dancing, live music, visits to the historic Richmond gaol and Old Hobart Town model village, Maypole dancing, period games to play and a promenade along the banks of the picturesque Coal river and across the oldest bridge in Australia, admiring the ducks. Period attire encouraged, otherwise something dashing or elegant. See detailed programme at folktas.org/regency . Please book your (free) spots for visits to the gaol and the model village, if you wish to visit with other festival goers. | Richmond Town Hall Supper Room and surrounds, 54 Bridge St (cnr Forth St), Richmond | \$31-81 |
| After Party | 6pm | An informal party. Includes vegetarian dinner and refreshments, more music and lively dancing without much teaching. Tickets only available for weekend or Sunday ticket holders. | Richmond Town Hall Supper Room and surround (as above) | \$29 (not included in weekend ticket) |
| Monday 2nd December | | | | |
| Music and History Cruise on the Lady Nelson | 12:40 for 1-3pm and 3:10 for 3:30-5:30pm | An afternoon sail on the Derwent river on the magnificent tall ship, the Lady Nelson, with refreshments, live music, shanty singing and history. Regency, formal or nautical attire admired but not required. You will also have the opportunity to help haul on a line or two if you so wish. Allow at least half an hour extra if parking a carriage – it is hard to find a spot. | Elizabeth St Pier, Hobart waterfront | \$44/\$22 (not included in weekend ticket) |
| Monday Night Folk Dance - Historically themed contra dances | 7:15 for 7:30pm | Our regular Monday night folk dance, this time historical/chestnut Contra Dances, most from the 19th Century. Live music and lots of fun. | St James' Church Hall, (as above) | \$7-15 (not included in weekend ticket) |

All ages and identities welcome.

Session and discounted weekend tickets are available. Entry conditions: folktas.org/conditions

Period attire will be admired and can be lots of fun. If not, ideally wear something dashing or elegant. Most people will dress up.

See <https://folktas.org/but-darling-i-have-nothing-to-wear/> for ideas.

Information about finding the venues, and reducing our environmental impact in transport and at the events, is at folktas.org/venuesenv

We don't have any relationship with any hotels, but look for something between St James in New Town (the Saturday venue) and Narryna in Battery Point (the Friday venue). There are many buses going past St James to and from central Hobart, and Narryna is a walkable distance from the centre.

There are many other lovely things to do in Hobart and surrounds. Some places to visit with some

Regency relevance are Port Arthur, the Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery, the Shot Tower or simply wandering through Battery Point.

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